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- 1. DEPARTURES: LIBYAN DELEGATION ATTENDED ARAB COMMUNICATIONS MINISTERIAL CONFERENCE IN CAIRO NOV 29. CONFERENCE REPORTEDLY WAS HELD TO DISCUSS ESTABLISHMENT OF JOINT ARAB WORLD AIRLINES.
- 2. MINISTER OF ECONOMY ABU BAKR ASH SHARIF DEPARTED TRIPOLI DEC 10. FOR CAIRO LEADING LIBYAN DELEGATION ATTENDING ARAB ECONOMIC UNITY COUNCIL MEETING. THREE DAY COUNCIL MEETING BEING HELD FROM DEC 11-14 AT ARAB LEAGUE HEADQUARTERS REPORTEDLY DISCUSSED CREATION OF ARAB COMMON MARKET AND THE ELIMINATION OF TRAVEL RESTRICTIONS OF ARAB WORKERS BETWEEN ARAB COUNTIRES. DECISION ALLEGEDLY REACHED BY ECONOMIC MINISTERS TO AUTHORIZE ISSUANCE OF SPECIAL INDENTIFICATION CARD LIMITED OFFICIAL USE

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INSTEAD OF TRADITIONALLY REQUIRED PASSPORT FOR

## THESE LABORERS.

- 3. LIBYAN DELEGATION FROM MINISTRY OF NUTRITION AND MARINE WALTH DEPARTED FOR VALLETTA, DEC 9 TO HOLD TALKS WITH MALTESE OFFICIALS CONCERNING THE ESTABLISHMENT OF A JOINT FISHING COMPANY. DELEGATION ALSO PLANS TO VISIT TUNIS.
- 4. DELEGATION OF LIBYAN GENERAL TRADE UNION DEPARTED TRIPOLI DEC 11 FOR KHARTOUM TO ATTEND CENTRAL COUNCIL OF THE ARAB INTERNATIONAL TRADE UNION MEETING BEING HELD DEC 12 TO 14. MEETING REPORTEDLY WILL DISCUSS "CONTRIBUTION AND ROLE OF ARAB LABORERS IN ARAB STRUGGLE".
- 5. ARRIVALS: LIBYAN MIN INT AL HUMAYDI RECEIVED PEOPLES DEMOCRATIC REPUBLIC OFYEMEN INTERIOR MINISTER SALIH MUSLIH NOV 27. MEETING REPORTEDLY HELD TO DISCUSS IMPROVING RELATIONS BETWEEN TWO COUNTRIES. SPECIAL ENVOY OF LESOTHO PRIME MINISTER, WHO IS ALSO PERMANENT DELEGATE TO UN AND HEAD OF UN SPECIAL POLITICAL COMMISSION, VISITED PM JALLUD DEC 8. UNNAMED ENVOY REPORTEDLY DELIVERED MESSAGE FROM LESOTHO PM. MEETING ALLEGEDLY DISCUSSED AFRICAN LIBERATION MOVEMENT.
- 6. LOCAL MEDIA REPORTS YUGOSLAV PRESIDENT TITO WILL VISIT LIBYA IN NEAR FUTURE. EXACT DATES OF VISIT WERE NOT ANNOUNCED.
- 7. CREDENTIALS: NEW SAUDI ARABIAN AMBASSADOR ASH SHAYKH ABADALLAH SALIH AL FADL PRESENTED HIS CREDENTIALS NOV 27 TO LIBYAN PM JALLUD.
- 8. NEW AGREEMENT: LIBYA AND NIGER SIGNED AGREEMENT NOV 27 REGULATING LABOR SUPPLY BETWEEN TWO COUNTRIES. CARLE

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